



# Lassen COVID-19: Incident Command



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### **SUBJECT: Lassen County partners with tech site Verily to expand COVID-19 testing in Lassen County**

Lassen County has teamed up with the state and Verily Life Sciences to expand COVID-19 testing for Lassen County residents. This increased testing will provide the ability to test asymptomatic individuals that could be spreading COVID-19 to others. Over the past sixty days less than 200 people have been tested in Lassen County. Lassen County now has over 5,000 test kits available.

The effort is part of Verily's Project Baseline healthcare initiative, which works in collaboration with state and local health officials to support COVID-19 testing sites. Using the test results to establish a baseline for our community qualifies us to move forward in California's Resiliency Plan.

Starting May 14, residents 18 years or older can make an appointment online for the drive thru testing site at Lassen Community College in Susanville using Verily's online appointment system. These test appointments can be made online at <https://www.projectbaseline.com/study/covid-19/>.

"This partnership with Verily allows us to ramp up our responsiveness to our communities," said Public Information Officer Richard Egan. "We want those who want to be tested to have the opportunity to be tested." The drive-thru testing clinic does not provide antibody testing.

For additional information and updates, please visit our website at [www.lassencares.org](http://www.lassencares.org) and the LassenCares Facebook page. If you have any questions regarding COVID-19 or issues with registration online, please call the Lassen County COVID-19 call center at (530) 251-8100 Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.